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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Awadhesh K. Mishra Confirmation No.: 7018
Serial No. : 09/321,766 Customer No.: 35437
Filed : May 28, 1999
Art Unit : 1617
Examiner : Edward J. Webman
For : **Thermoprotected Compositions and Process for Terminal Steam Sterilization of Microparticle Preparations**

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), Applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time to respond to the Final Office Action mailed December 19, 2005 in the above-identified application. With the extension, the response is due on or before June 19, 2006. A check in the amount of \$1,020.00 (Check No. 22657) is enclosed in payment of the fee required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(3).

Please charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 28069-503. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: June 19, 2006

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Naomi S. Biswas".

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